ORTON HAS RETURNED FROM INDIANA TORAL BILL-THE CONGRESSIONAL COM-MITTEE'S WORK AT NEW ORLEANS-A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION TO BE MADE-

The Latest from Washington. ELECTORAL VOTE-PERSONAL, &C., &C.

[From Our Own Correspondent.] VASHINGTON, December 18.—The Repuban National Committee are making prearations for monster mass-meetings, torchthi processions, and all that sort of thing, all important points in the North and West; and in this matter they will seek to anticipate the Democrats by holding their before the Christmas holidays. sheld here, ten thousand torches having n ordered and other prepara-

action who is elected President than they are for the success of their party. Mr. Edmulitee to prepare and report some meaare, either legislative or constitutional, that may serve to determine satisfactorily the vadity of the election returns, seems to indi- | ness. cute that he honestly seeks to have the truth

deprecating further discussion of the questhe hands of a committee of the men of both parties. If it be the to arrive at an equitable conclusion tall it can only be done in that manner.

Republicans, and has won for them many friends. They say the South seems to have escaped from the control of their old " hotheaded leaders," and perhaps may be trusted after all. Yet there are others who see in this "new-born temperateness" a mask bels, still Union-haters at heart, will then administer the Government in practical disregard of the constitutional

Most people who carefully note the signs of the times have settled down to the conat whoever may be declared elec-The steadiness in quotations of

of them long, but the dual government in quorum. If the office of Chief Justice is Administration, he said, is not insensible South Carolina has not yet been the special vacant, or if from any cause he is incomsubject of discussion, and probably it will petent to act, the senior judge of the Su- these reports are true or false with reference not be formally determined until after the congressional committee has reported which government will be recognized. To be sure, judges are to take a special oath that they he inclination of the President and his will faithfully and impartially discharge the counsellors, except Mr. Fish, is to recog- duties thus specially devolved upon them, possible that the investigating committee may present a non-partisan report which matter, and without regard to technical will ultimately prevail all over the land,

from Democratic senators an expression of the Supreme Court in regard to the President said he should not hesitate that the question should not be prejudiced before all the facts are before the Senate.

Colorado occupies a singular position. the Capitol her representative remains unrecognized, and a bill offered the other day by Mr. Hale, in which the "State of Colorado" was mentioned, was objected to by

Mr. Knott introduced a bill into the House to-day in regard to the counting of President. The bill provides that at 12 M. shall so declare and adjudge. on the second Wednesday in February next, and at the same hour on the second Wednesday in February in every fourth year thereafter, the Senate and House of Representatives shall meet in joint assembly in the hall of the House for the sole purpose of counting the electoral votes, and determining and declaring the result; that the secretaries of the Senate and take precedence of all other business. and clerks of the House shall be present, as The Supreme Court must then at once proalso the sergeants-at-arms and doorkeepers; ceed to determine the same upon the record that the president of the Senate and Speaker and case so presented, and shall have full of the House shall conjointly preside, in pursuance of certain rules prescribed in the bill; that the president of the Senate shall appoint a teller on the part of the Senate and the Speaker one on the part of the House; that the president of the Senate Fuall open the certificates from the various States in the order in which they ratified the Constitution or were admitted into the Union. And in case two or more States were ratified or admitted in the Union on the same day they shall be taken alphabetically, and upon opening each certificate he shall hand the same to the Speaker of the did not votethere, and were not at the pre-House and demand if there is objection to cinct all day. There were votes in the balcounting the votes therein certified. And if no objection be made, the same shall be handed to the tellers; and the votes thereby authenticated shall be counted; that either authenticated shall be counted; that either quite a sensation. House may by resolution, before the

termination of the joint assembly, a ma- quiet. The congressional and senatorial jority of the members of each house constituting a quorum; that debate on any question before the joint assembly be lim- favorable to the latter. ited to six hours, and two speakers on each side; and if the count shall not be concluded on the day fixed the joint assembly. may adjourn from day to day until the same shall be completed. On the completion of the count in the manner prescribed in the bill the result is to be announced, and the joint assembly be dissolved. The bill also provides for the manner in which questions shall be put, and the records kept.

The marrow of the measure is that all questions upon which the two houses might come to a "dead-lock" are to be determined by the votes of the joint assembly, and a peaceable and constitutional solution of them be thereby attained.

The Senate has agreed to the House resolution for the appointment of a joint committee to devise means for the counting of tecum served upon him December 10, 1876. the electoral vote. Mr. Randall went to his refusal being in contempt of the House New York Saturday night to confer with of Representatives. Mr. Tilden as to the selection of members HOW THE NEGROES ARE TREATED BY THE REfor that committee.

Mr. Orton, president of the Western Union Telegraph Company, was noticed on the floor of the House to-day, quite active in hobnobbing with Republican members. Senator Morton was in his seat to-day.

The president of the Senate has adopted a new form of receipt for the electoral votes as delivered by the messengers of the several States. The following is the form heard State Senator Daniel Young (Repubof the receipt now given:

" Vice-President's Chamber, Senate of the United States, Washington -, 1876.-Received of -, claiming to be a messenger to deliver the same, a sealed package pur-porting to contain a certificate of the vote given for President and Vice-President of the United States by the electors of the State of -, alleged to have been elected Nevember 7, 1876.

"T. W. FERRY, [Signed] "President pro tem. U. S. S."

Senator Morton on the Political Situa-

HE SAYS HE WENT TO INDIANA TO ATTEND TO PRIVATE MATTERS-HE WON'T EXPRESS HIM-

WASHINGTON, December 18 .- The Star publishes the following this evening: Senator Morton was interviewed by gard to the political situation. He said he the Returning Board. He thought it would mittee, stating that the dispatch from Morwent to Indiana to attend to private busi- greatly facilitate the business of the com-

Occupying the position he does, as a senator and as chairman of a committee investigating important subjects connected with the presidential question, he does not deem it proper at this time to express himself fully in regard to the rifle club organizations in the West. He says there is a great | turned to the Board. deal of bluster and a good many threats among the Indiana Democrats, but he be- sel present. lieves it to be solely for the purpose of intimidating the Republicans. He does not obtaining a full statement of votes returned. regard the movement as a formidable one, It was urged by Democratic members that a nor does he believe anything very serious copy should be procured not only of superwill grow out of it.

WASHINGTON, December 18 .- The bill introduced by Senator Wright to establish a ing Board, was called in to give some in- 150; nays, 53. court for the trial of contested presidential formation on the subject. He said he would electors provides that the election of any one declared elected to the office of Paris of Pari court for the trial of contested presidential formation on the subject. He said he would enal Government: which once secured, dent of the United States may be contested excluded, but as the Board was busy preby any eligible person who received votes paring its report to the Legislature clerks failed. for the office contested. Notice of the in- would not have time to make copies. The tention to contest must be filed with the chairman said that six stenographers of the Secretary of State in Washington within committee would do the work. ten days after the declaration of the election, accompanied by a sworn statement of A. M. to-morrow. Witnesses have been the causes of contest; whereupon the papers summoned to testify in the case of East shall be delivered to the Chief Justice of the Baton Rouge. United States Supreme Court, whose duty it shall then be to appoint a day not more than ten days thereafter for the ough there may be local disturb- person declared elected to appear and answer the claim of the contestant. The court for the trial of such contested elec-

tions shall consist of said Chief Justice and of six United States circuit or district strong indication that the judges, to be selected by him from different official information of any unlawful moveof the country do not antici- local parties, and who shall not be interested ment in Indiana or elsewhere. He has seen ed resistance in any event, yet it is in the particular contest nor in any manner occasional reference in newspapers to politimajority of its members constituting a preme Court shall perform the duties above specified. Before entering upon the trial of the contest, the said Chief Justice and and that they will decide and determine any and all questions submitted to them according to law and the very right of the He feels assured that the same disposition errors, defects, omissions, or irregularities. and he believes that the men who are now The court is to have the same or like disposed to incite civil war are only those powers in the exercise of its jurisdiction and in the enforcement of its or- to lose in the event of such a national caders and judgments as are now vested in lamity. If the emergency does arise the

opinion as to whether Governor Grover's latter's jurisdiction, &c. The bill provides to execute his constitutional authority action was legal. Democratic senators like that the proposed court in its adjudications and determinations shall at all times be dent of the Senate to have been elected will governed by the very right of the matter be recognized by General Grant. To that senting authorities and precedents, while according to the law and testimony, and others, like Wallace of Pennsylvania, urge they shall disregard all technical errors, omissions, or other matters on the part of the people any particular person, but be those engaged in certifying the elections in will see that the person declared to be the several States, or of the electors in cast- elected as his successor is placed in possesing their votes, or in any manner connected sion of the Government. He is not judge CO-POUCHES, and smokers' articles of every de-The Senate accords her senators all the with such elections, having at all times, how- of the election. When that question is derights and privileges enjoyed by senators ever, due regard to the forms of law and termined his duty will be plain. from other States. But at the other end of the ascertainment of the will and true vote of the people at such elections. The person whom the majority of the court shall thus find to be President or and the preservation of peace, and such an Vice-President, as the case may be, shall be entitled to such office, and said court shall have full power and authority to carry into effect and enforce its judgment by any and

all needful process. In case it shall not appear that any person has been lawfully elected, said court

The bill next provides that any party to such contest feeling aggrieved by the judgment may within six days after its rendition appeal therefrom to the Supreme Court; but such appeal shall not, however, operate to stay the execution of the judgment appealed from without the special order therefor made by the court rendering such judgment. The record and case shall be immediately filed in the Supreme Court power to carry its judgment into effect

committeee met at 12 o'clock. The Sergeant-at-Arms excluded under orders the reporters and the public. Cards were returned with the statement that the session

was private. The House committee had before it eighteen negroes, whose names were on the polllist of Richardson, precinct in Leon county, as having voted there, who swore that they

day of counting, determine to object to the votes, or a vote, of the electors; or an elector of any State counted for certain causes in the bill speci-

SOUTH CAROLINA.

South assembly; that the vote upon by the joint assembly shall be considered all questions in the joint assembly shall be be printed and lie on the table.

Columbia, December 18.—There was another unsuccessful ballot for senator in the termination of the majority to be the description.

General Lew. Wathee arrived to high.

South Carolina.

Friday the 22d instant, it be to meet on Wednesday, January 8d, 1877. Ordered to be printed and lie on the table.

Columbia, December 18.—There was another unsuccessful ballot for senator in the Democratic House to-day. Everything is the President's salary to \$25,000 be taken the printed to high.

A motion was made that the bill reducing the President's salary to \$25,000 be taken the president to the pr

committees are working actively but quietly. There is a rumor of a compromise beween the Republicans and the Democrats

LOUISIANA THE DISPATCHES-MANAGER BARNES WON'T BRING THE DISPATCHES-HIS CASE IN THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. NEW ORLEANS, December 18 .- E. W Barnes, manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company here, stated before the committee that he had not brought the dispatches, as ordered in the subpæna, under instructions from his superiors not to de

The committee, after consultation, adopted the following resolution, which the chairman was instructed to communicate to the House of Representatives by telegraph:

Resolved, That for the efficient prosecu tion of the inquiry ordered by the House this committee communicate to the House for its consideration the refusal of E. W. Barnes to produce before the committee telegrams referred to in the subpæna duces

PUBLICANS FOR VOTING THE DEMOCRATIC TICKET-NICHOLS TO BE COUNTED OUT ANY-HOW-THE SENATE COMMITTEE AT WORK-A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION TO BE MADE.

NEW ORLEANS, December 18 .- George Johnson (colored), who testified a few days ago before the committee, was recalled, and stated he had since been assaulted by southern Republicans. He knows other wit-

nesses who fear violence if they testify. John Young, of De Soto, testified that he lican) say before election Nichols would be counted out if elected. He knew of infimidation by the Republicans of negroes who intended to vote the Democratic ticket. In some cases they had to have protection from the Conservatives.

Cross-examination: We pledged ourselves to protect the negroes who desired to vote the Democratic ticket, even with our lives; had no organization or society organized for that purpose. Governor Wells stated in conversation

this evening that he should decline to answer the questions as to the response for throwing out votes of any poll or parish. The Senate investigating committee met

in the custom-house to-day, Mr. Howe in the chair. He announced that only five SELF FULLY ON THE RIFLE CLUBS OF THE members of each party would be allowed to for President and Vice-President, which would be admitted at the sessions of the committee. He also said the counsel for the Democrats desired to submit a written reporter of the Star this afternoon in re- statement of their objection to the action of mittee. He wished the document to be brief, and to be submitted as early as possi-

Judge Campbell desired to file a counterstatement, and was accorded that privilege. The Chairman said it was desired to procure a tabulated statement of the votes as re

There were none of the Democratic coun-The committee discussed the best mode of

visors' tabulated statements, but also of commissioners of elections' returns to su-SENATOR WRIGHT'S BILL TO ESTABLISH A pervisors, in order that it might be clearly COURT FOR THE TRIAL OF PRESIDENTIAL seen what polls were thrown out by the Governor Wells, president of the Return-

The committee then adjourned until 11

General Grant Threatens to Put In by Arms any Candidate Counted In by

the President of the Senate. NEW YORK, December 18 .- A Washington dispatch to the Tribune says the President, in conversation with a friend this afternoon, said thus far he had received no related to the persons involved. This court cal agitations in certain sections of the is to hold its meetings in Washington, a country, and has received information to that effect from other unofficial sources. The to the necessity of vigilance. Whether thinks that should it spread the loyal sentiment of a majority of the people of that

State and of the whole country will have influence enough to prevent any outbreak. The President said, further, that it is gratifying to observe the conservative spirit shown by many of the southern leaders. who have everything to gain and nothing person will he surrender the reins of authority. It is not his desire to force upon

General Grant said that before and since the election he has used his executive power only for the enforcement of the laws exercise of powers as are conferred upon him he will continue until the last moment of his responsibility. He does not think that a Government which has withstood the shock of nearly four years of battle will now fall before the clamor of a mob. The power of the President to call out the militia of States in event of any attempt to resist the inauguration of a President legally declared to be elected is one which General Grant will not hesitate to use should any occasion arise. He said that it was his recollection that during the riots in New York in 1863 a portion of the National Guard of the Empire State was called out by direct authority of the President, and cooperated with the regular United States troops in suppressing the disturbance.

XLIVTH CONGRESS-Second Session. WASHINGTON, December 18, 1876. SENATE.

During the morning hour Mr. Edmunds called up the resolution submitted by him on Friday last referring the message of the House of Representatives in regard to devising means to count and declare the electoral vote to a select committee of seven senators to act with a committee appointed by the House, and it was agreed to by a unanimous vote without discussion. The Chair was authorized to appoint a special committee.

Mr. Wright, of Iowa, introduced a bill to establish a court for trial of contested elections in the offices of President and Vice-President of the United States, and at his request it was ordered that it be printed The Supreme Court continued its session to settle all our present difficulties. He

Counted for certain causes in the bill speci- General Lew. Wallace arrived to-night. ted a joint resolution providing that when by the joint assembly; that the vote upon all questions in the joint assembly shall be considered by a viva voce vote of each house, the de-

19-not two-thirds.

The Oregon resolution was resumed. Mr. Key, of Tennessee, read a length argument, in which he reviewed the Oreyon case, and said be did not question the motives of the Governor of Oregon. Had he (Key) been in his place he would have held that there was a vacancy on account of the ineligibility of Watts, and would then have filled that vacancy so as to carry ou the wishes of the majority of the people.

He then referred to the condition of a fairs in South Carolina, Florida, and Louisiana, and argued that the will of the maority in those States had been reversed by the action of the returning boards. He referred to the argument of the senator from Ohio (Mr. Sherman) to the effect that the decision of the Louisiana Returning Board was supreme, and must be respected by the Senate the same as a decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, and said f the decision of that Board was supreme in Louisiana, the decision of Governor Grover must be supreme in Oregon.

He (Mr. Key) did not admit that these deisions were final, and argued that Congress had the right to go behind them. The acts of the returning boards were not clothed with such sanctity that Congress could not peep behind them. He then referred to the case of Eliza Pinckston in Louisiana, and denied that any white men were engaged in the outrages upon her. He could assure his friend from Ohio (Mr. Sherman) that there was not such a large number of savages among the white people of the South as the testimony before the Louisiana Returning Board would lead him to believe.

The Senate next took up the report of the Committee on Rules and ordered it to be Adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. The Judiciary Committee of the House ppointed a sub-committee to report upor the demand for telegraphic dispatches, and to devise some rule of procedure to govern the call from New Orleans, and other cases which may follow. It is understood that in anticipation of calls of this kind all political correspondence has been compiled and verified in the confidential office of the Western Union Telegraph Company, and is ready for production should the demand be pressed to compulsion. It seems likely that both parties will agree to respect the sanctity of telegraphic correspondence.

Mr. Knott introduced a bill prescribing the method of counting the electoral votes act as counsel, and members of the press was referred to the select committee on the subject.

Mr. Garfield presented a telegram ceived by him from Mr. Hurlbut, of Illinois, a member of the Louisiana select comrison, its chairman, to the Speaker wa without the knowledge or consent of the committee. Referred to the Judiciary Com-

A resolution was offered by Mr. Warren. of Massachusetts, to inquire into the action of Judge Bond, of the United States Circuit Court, in discharging persons held in custody under order of the Supreme Court of South Carolina; which failed for want of a two-thirds vote-yeas, 138; nays, 75.

of Ohio, calling for General Sheridan's report on the removal of Governor Wells, ot is clear and cold, the mercury registering Louisiana, in 1867; which failed in like manner. A resolution was offered by Mr. Hunter. of Illinois, instructing the Judiciary Com-

A resolution was offered by Mr. Banning,

mittee to report an amendment to the Constitution forbidding the payment of war claims to disloyal persons. Adopted-yeas,

of Mississippi and Fourth Alabama; also

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FIRE AT LIBERTY, INDIANA-SILK-WORMS' EGGS-SHOW AND SLEET AT NEW YORK-THE DUTY ON CHAMPAGNE AND CHAM-PAGNE-BOTTLES-ROUGH WEATHER AT NORFOLK-THE COLD SPELL, &c.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.] Norfolk, Va., December 18.-We have had a snow-storm, and the thermometer is

down to-night. PRINTING-OFFICE BURNED.

LIBERTY, IND., December 18 .- The Times

printing-office and Union Bank have been

THREE MILLION DOLLARS' WORTH OF SILK-WORM EGGS. OMAHA, December 18 .- Seven car-loads of silk-worm eggs, valued at \$3,000,000, have

burned. Loss, \$15,000.

SUPREME COURT DECISION. WASHINGTON, December 18 .- Dubarry and others vs. Collender, at New York. In this case the Court affirms the judgment of the Circuit Court, holding that under the statute the duty upon champagne in bottles is six dollars per dozen for the wine and thirty-six cents per dozen for the bottles in addition to the specific tax on the wine. Grant vs. Virginia Coal and Iron Company. From the District Court of West

and it is ordered to be reopened. WASHINGTON NOTES AND GOSSIP. WASHINGTON. December 18 .- A congres sional inquiry is progressing as to why the printing of revenue stamps was transferred from the Printing Bureau to the Bank-Note Company. A big lobby has been at work. The Secretary of the Treasury decides

Virginia. In this case there is no estopel,

that the 3-60 District bonds are not liable to taxation. Battery G, Second artillery has come from Fort Sill. A subpæna was served on President

Orton to-day to appear at New Orleans on the 20th with the desired dispatches. James Peacock has been nominated by the President as postmaster at Gallatin, Tenn. Messrs. Hurd, Lynde, and McCrary compose the sub-committee of the Judiciary Committee to report proper action to mee the situation at New Orleans regarding the telegraphic dispatches and abuse of wit-

William B. Moore has been appointed supervising special agent of the Treasury. Cold Weather. NAVIGATION SUSPENDED AT CAIBO.

CAIRO, ILL., December 18 .- Navigation has been suspended in both rivers above Cairo. The ice is so heavy that fears are entertained of a gorge below. The weather 7° above zero at daylight. SLIPPERY TIMES IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, December 18 .- An inch and a half of snow fell here to-day followed by a rain, freezing as it fell. Locomotion is

LATEST FOREIGN NEWS.

ARMISTICE CONCLUDED. BELGRADE, December 18 .- It is believe that an armistice has been concluded until the 1st of May. England.

THE LOUISVILLE FORGER-PERSONAL. London, December 18-Brent, the Louisville forger, will be delivered to-morrow. Caleb Cushing is here en route to Madrid.

THE FAIRPAX-SCHELL DUEL .- The condition of Colonel J. W. Fairfax, who was badly cut in his encounter with ex-Doorkeeper Schell at the Ebbitt House last Friday night, has improved very much, and he is now considered out of danger, though much trouble is apprehended in the wound in the breast, which it is feared has affected the lung. He is kept very quiet, and none but his most intimate friends are allowed to see him. His antagonist, who was less dangerously fajured, is also much better, and 114c. Co. will probably be able to walk out to-day. He is under police surveillance, but will not be arrested until the wishes of Colonel Fairfax are made known. It is said that he has declined to prosecute the matter. Washington Union, 18th.

DEATH OF GENERAL BARTLETT .- Springfield, Mass., December 17.-General W. F. Bartlett died at Pittsfield to-day.

DEATH OF AN EX-GOVERNOR. - Providence, R. I., December 17.—Ex-Governor William Cozzans died at Newport to-day of typhoid fever, said to have been contracted at the Centennial Exhibition.

THE AFRICAN TRAVELLER .- Alexandria, December 18 .- Captain Gordon, the African traveller, has embarked for Brindisi, on his way to England.

The St. Charles Hotel, Toledo, Ohio, a solid structure, was burned on Saturday morning. Loss, \$10,000. The steamer Alice Virgie, plying between Danarescott, Me., and Portland, was burn-

ed at Georgetown Friday night. Loss, \$7,850; partially insured. The bleaching- and kier-house at Pontiac, R. I., belonging to B. B. & R. Knight & Co.,

was destroyed Saturday morning. The loss is between \$150,000 and \$200,000. The insurance is \$100,000. A fire in Cairo, Ill., Saturday morning, destroyed fifteen buildings on the Commercial levee between Fourth and Sixth streets. mostly small frame buildings. Loss about

\$16,000. Insurance less than \$6,000. The trial of Samuel Josephs, George Mc-Gowan, and Henry Marcus, charged with conspiracy to perpetrate frauds on the election in Philadelphia, was closed Saturday, and a verdict of not guilty was rendered.

Much irritation has been caused in Paris by a dispatch from Bismarck in which be severely censures the French Government on account of the wrong done to German commerce by the French export duties on

It appears they had left a lighted lamp on a bureau on going to bed. When the police, attracted by the smoke, entered the house, The smoke had aroused the old couple, but both perished before reaching the door. Mr. Ingalls was about seventy years of age, and was a well-known iron-fence manufac-

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an excellent and roomy storehouse, almost new; a
large number-house, cooper's and brick black-milthe
shops, and stable. The whole included in about four
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Wilmington, containing about THREE HUNDRED ACRES, which has been surveyed in two parcets, and will be sold in whole or separately, as may be thought best. This place has all necessary buildings and some flat land.

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FINANCIAL

RICHMOND STOCK EXCHANGE. American Gold.—108 bdd.

State Securities.—Virginia consols, 68 bid. 68% asked; Virginia consols, new, 34 bid. 34% asked; Virginia therest certificates; 15 bid; Virginia therest certificates; 15 bid; Virginia tax-receivable coupons, 82% bid, 83% asked.

City Securities.—Richmond city 6%, 95 bid; Virginia tax-receivable coupons, 82% bid, 83% asked; 15% asked; Richmond city 6%, 95 bid, 96% asked; Lynchburg city 8%, 107% bid; Lynchburg city 6%, 95 bid; Manchester bridge 8%, 99 bid.

Railroad Bonds.—Virginia Central Railroad third mortgage 6%, J. and J., 76 bid, 78 asked; Petersburg Railroad first mortgage 8%, 0, and 4., 96 bid; Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potense Railroad mortgage 7%, J. and J., 96 asked; Orange and Alexangria Railroad third mortgage 8%, M. and N., 65 asked.

Railroad Stocks.—Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, 100 par 4% bid; 6 asked. Monday, December 18, 1876.

at freezing point to-night, with heavy weather outside and storm-signals flying. In consequence of the ice and storm on the bay no Baltimore steamers will venture based.

100 par 4% bld, 6 asked.

8ank Stocks.—National Bank of Virginia, 100 par, 114 bld, 120 asked; Planters National, 100 par, 114 bld, 120 asked; State Bank of Virginia, 100 par, 135 bld; Richmond Banking and Insurance Company, 25 par, 33 asked; Citizens Savings, 25 par, 194 asked. insurance Companies,—Virginia State, 25 par, 28% bld, 29 asked; Virginia Home, 100 par, 106 asked; City, 100 par, 85 asked.

By Telegraph.

NEW YORK. NEW YORK, December 18.—Gold opened at 1074, Noon.—State bonds—Missourt's better; rest steady. Evening.—Money active. Sterling strong at 4824, Gold steady at 1074, 61074; Governments dult and steady; new 5's, 114. States quiet and nominal.

BALTIMORE. BALTIMORE, December 18.—Virginia 6'z, defer-red, 6'4; consolidated, 68'4; second series, 34'4. North Carolina 6's, old, 16.

COMMERCIAL

CORN AND FLOUR EXCHANGE. RICHMOND, December 18, 1876. OFFERINGS.

WHEAT .- White, 302 bushels. Red, 1,086 bus CORN.-White, 1.106 bushels, Yellow, 260 bush OATS .- 450 bushels. RYE.—6 bushels. MEAL.—26 bushels. BUCKWHEAT.—22 bushels.

SALES. WHEAT.—White, 30 bushels fair at \$1.30; 22 bushels at \$1.40; 8 bushels at \$1.35—total, 60 bushels, Red, 10 bushels common at \$1.25; 50 bushels fair at \$1.30; 52 bushels common at \$1.05; 66 bushels at \$1.29; 52 bushels at \$1.38; 602 bushels bushels at \$1.29; 52 bushels at \$1.35; 602 bushels very good at \$1.43; 144 bashels prime at \$1.43-total, 976 bushels.

CORN.—White, 704 bushels very good at 48c.; 48 bushels fair at 46c.; 152 bushels good at 47c.—total, 904 bushels.

Yellow, 260 bushels on private

terms.
OATS.—70 bushels common on private terms; 96
bushels very good at 37c.—total, 166 bushels.
BUCKWHEAT.—22 bushels very good at 65c.
MEAL.—26 bushels at 55c.

RE-EXHIBITED. OATS .- 250 bushels. Fine, \$3.50@\$3.75; superfine, \$5; extra superfine, \$5.75; common family, \$6.50; fancy family, \$7@\$7.50. Market dull.

RICHMOND TOBACCO EXCHANGE. RICHMOND, December 18, 1876. The breaks to-day were 18 hogsbeads and 1 tierce The offerings at auction on 'Change were only 11 packages, of which number 7 were taken in, and he remainder sold at prices ranging from \$5.20 to

> By Telegraph. NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, December 18.—Cotton quiet; sales of 219 bales at 12½@12 5-16c. Flour without decided change; demand quiet and light, mainly for home use; some little export inquiry; southern dull and unchanged. Wheat 1@2c. better; very light and unchanged. Wheat 1@2c. better; very light export; limited milling demand; also some trifling speculative inquiry at \$1.35 for white western. Corn 4@1e. better, with fair demand, partly speculative, at 57@58c. Oats 4@1c. better, with good inquiry. Coffee-Rio quiet and firm. Sugar dull and nominal at 94@10c. for fair to good refining; firmer; fair business at 11%c. for standard A. Molasses quiet and unchanged. Rice quiet and steady. Tallow firm at 84@8%c. Rosin, \$2.40@\$2.45. Turpentine decidedly firm at 45%c. Pork higher; mess, \$17. Lard excited and higher, closing easier; prine steam, \$10.80@\$10.87%. Whiskey firmer at \$1.12@\$1.12%. Freights scarcely so firm.

CINCINNATI. CINCINNATI.

December, 18.—Flour in fair demand and firm; family, \$6.10@\$6.35. Wheat tirmer, but not quotably higher. Corn active at 44@45c. Oats steady and in fair demand. Rye quiet and firm at 82c. Barley dull at 80c@\$1.05. Pork in fair demand and firm at \$16.50. Lard in fair demand; steam, 10%@11c. Bulk-meats quiet and firm; shoulders, 6%@6&c.; clear rib-sides, 8%@8&c.; clear sides, 8%@8&c. Baom quiet and unchanged. Green-meats firm. Whiskey active and firm at \$1.07. Butter unchanged. Hogs in good demand and a shade higher; packing, \$5.80@\$6; receipts, 17.985 head. receipts, 17,985 head.

BALTIMORS, December 18.—Flour quiet steady; Howaid-Street and western superfine. 8 @85: extra. \$5.25@85.75; family. 86@87; Mills superfine. \$4.25@85; extra. \$5.50@6(lio brands, \$7.25@\$7.50; family. \$8.75. Western Street firm and quiet; business restricted by light supplies; Pennsylvania red, \$1.38@\$1.43; Maryland red, good to prime, \$1.40@\$1.48; amber, \$1.50@\$1.55; while; \$1.25@\$1.48. Southern corn firm and quiet; western active and hisher; new southern white, \$2@56½c.; yellow, \$53@56½c. Oars quiet; southern prime, \$7@40c. Ryc quiet at 70@72c. Provisions quiet and steady. Lard-Retined, 11½c. Coffee buoyant; jobbing, 17@21½c. Whiskey scarce at \$1.13. PHILADELPHIA LIVE-STOCK MARKET.

PHILADELPHIA, December 18.—Cattle active and firmer: sales, 2,800 head. Extra Fennsylvania s cers, 5½@6½c.; fair to good, 5@5½c.; common, 4@4½c. Sheep in fair demand; sales 12,000 head at 4@7½c. Hogs un.hanged; sales, 4,800 head. MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

MINIATURE ALMANAC-DECEMBER 19, 1876

PORT OF RICHMOND, DECEMBER 18, 1876. ARRIVED. Isaac Bell, Lawrence, New York nerchandise and passengers, G. W. Allen & Co.

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Steamer John Sylvester, Gifford, Norfolk, merchandise and passengers, L. B. Tatum, agent.
Schooner Maria Pierson, Grant, New York, salt. CLEARED. Bark Paramount, Holt, Liverpool, 1,400 bales of cotton and 2,420 staves, Curis & Parker. Brig Maggie Vail (Br.), Fields, Rio de Janeiro, 5,190 barrels of flour, Dunlop & McCance.

MEMORANDA. Schooner J. S. Ivins, Ingersoll, from Richmond, at New York December 16th. Schooner John McDonnell, McKendry, from Rich-mond, at Philadelphia December 16th. Schooner J. L. Moloy, Mathers, from Petersburg, at New York December 16th.

By Telegraph. SAVANNAH, December 18.—Arrivet: Ship Galatea, Rotterdam; schooner Charles, Buckeye, Rockland. Sailed: Ship Galatea, West Point, Va. Schooner Charles H. Fobens, from St. Martins for Boston, lost her sails in a hurricane off Cape Hatte-

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